

CHINA MAIL, JUNE 24, 1925.

FATAL SHAMEEN CLASH.

Canton, June 23.

Thousands of students, workmen, citizens, and soldiers paraded along the Bund around the European quarter. They opened fire opposite the Victoria Hotel in the British Concession.

British and French Marines replied with machine guns. The firing lasted twenty minutes.

A French merchant named Pasquier, and the Commissioner of Customs were killed.

One British Marine and two civilians were wounded.

All the evidence indicates that the Chinese fired first. - Router.

EYEWITNESS'S STORY:- The report that the Chinese fired first is confirmed to a certain extent by the statement made to a "China Mail" representative this morning by the comprador of W. A. Hannibal & Co., who was one of the passengers on the Sai On which was alongside at the Canton side when the firing took place.

"I saw many schoolboys and workmen marching along the Bund about half past two yesterday afternoon," he said. "And when they had got about half way past Shameen they fired shots across to the Shameen side. The fire was returned. Rain came down heavily about the same time and I saw the people running but very little else. The Sai On remained alongside for many hours and I saw foreigners leaving Shameen for the gunboats."

The "China Mail" informant said that his information had been first that twenty Chinese had been killed as a result of the fire from Shameen and then, that fifty had been killed. It was impossible to ascertain anything definite in this respect as the Sai On had its own difficulties to contend with, the seamen having left to attend a meeting on shore at which they were to be told whether or not they would be allowed to man the ship to bring it back to Hongkong. The crew returned and said that they were to be allowed to make the trip. The ship left about 7 p.m. and arrived in Hongkong early this morning.

A man in a sampan who was making for the Sai On from Shameen was killed when within a few feet of the boat, according to our informant, who added that as the boat passed Honam about 8 p.m. he observed soldiers of General Li Fook-lam's army leaving Honam for Canton.

PANIC OF CROWDS.- So far the rumour that a detachment of the East Surrey is to leave Hongkong for Canton today is not confirmed officially, but it is significant that the s.s. Paul Beau which arrived in Hongkong early this morning, from Canton, is now lying off Stonecutter's Island, and that the Sai On, also from Canton, is under orders to leave for the same port. At present the Sai On is alongside the wharf and

MR. EDWARDS NOT KILLED.

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Mr. Edwards was wounded, not killed. - Router.

refugees are still swarming the vicinity. The crowds which have come down from Canton are said to be as large as those going to that city. The crowds on the wharf at present seem puzzled what to do. They drift on and off the ships according to whether or not it is raining at the time. They all appear to be soaked through and to be very uncomfortable. A guard of Volunteers is on duty at the wharves. A West River steamer appears to be the only boat that will leave today for the "China Mail" understands that no ships will leave for Canton for the present. The vessels tied up here, it is stated, will be used to house European refugees from Shameen arriving by the s.s. Honam in large numbers this afternoon. The Honam is reported to have been manned by naval ratings. The refugees are said to number 600 -- though one report puts the figure at 1,500. The wounded are aboard, it is added and the ambulance will meet the vessel here.

STRIKE ITEMS.- A Chinese servant employed by a Knutsford Terrace European was stabbed in the neck and head by two unknown Chinese at Kowloon yesterday. The first case under the Emergency Regulations forbidding the export of more than \$5 from the Colony was heard at Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese coolie who tried to leave by the Canton train with \$54.60 had the balance confiscated and the \$5 returned to him.

Dr. S. W. T'so has been appointed Controller of Chinese Labour to act in conjunction with Mr. G. M. Young. His office will be at the City Hall and Chinese, whether British subjects or not, willing to volunteer their services, either for general work or for the Police Reserve should apply to him there without delay.

The meat workers went on strike today, also all workmen employed by Japanese. All bakers will be out by this evening; the coolies and the cargo-coolies are expected to strike tomorrow or the day after tomorrow. The vegetable coolies have decided not to strike but they will, it is said, reconsider their decision should they be subjected to intimidation.

CHINA MAIL, JUNE 25, 1925.

SECURITY PACT (Reuter's Service)
London, June 24:-- In the House of Commons in opening the debate on the Foreign Office Estimates, in the presence of Lord Stonehaven, the new Governor-General of Australia, in the Peers' Gallery, Mr. Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary, emphasised the policy outlined in the White Paper in regard to the proposed Security Pact was the policy of the united Cabinet. The Government desired that the policy they pursued in matters of such consequence to Britain, the Empire, and the world to be a policy of all parties of the whole nation. They were endeavouring to conduct their foreign policy in the spirit of the Prime Minister's declaration at the Lord Mayor's banquet that the Government's one object would be stability and continuity. All parties had only one object, namely, to secure peace and make war impossible or at least as remote a danger as possible. No unilateral pact by the Allies against Germany could now be contemplated by the British Government.

The abstention of the British Empire, and Britain particularly, from European affairs and never would and never would serve the interests of peace. No nation could isolate itself today in anything seriously affecting the peace of Europe, which must affect every nation, belligerent or not. Our signature to the Covenant of the League was incompatible with isolation. Our safety lay not in seeking an impossible isolation but in the wise and prudent use of our influence and power to obtain peace and prevent war. The Government was of the opinion that it was impossible for the British Empire or Britain to undertake any universal extension of the obligations we had already incurred as members of the League and signatories to the Covenant, and therefore held that the special needs of the moment must be met by special arrangements of a purely defensive character framed in the spirit of the Covenant, working in close harmony with the League and under its guidance.

Mr. Chamberlain emphasised that no treaty or draft treaty existed. There was merely a preliminary statement of what the different countries felt would be possible for them to undertake and in what direction they thought they could make an advance. Our new obligations would be definitely limited to the frontier between Germany on the one side and France and Belgium on the other, and our guarantee of the frontier could not be invoked by a wrong-doer to shield him in wrong-doing. Our guarantee became effective only if, in defiance of the treaties of arbitration and the obligations of the Covenant, the wrong-doer resorted to force. The guarantee would then become immediately effective. If one of the parties refused to arbitrate or to carry out an arbitration, award our guarantee could not be invoked to protect him, though, if he did that and no more, we retained our liberty, subject to our obligations under the Covenant, to decide what action we would take.

HOME SPORT (Reuter's Service) London,
June 24:-- At Curragh, the Irish Derby resulted: 1, Zionist (5/2); 2, Warminster (8/1); 3, Brighter London (100/8). There were eight starters. Won by 1 1/2 lengths, 6 lengths between second and third.

Prospects of play at Wimbledon today in the British Open Lawn Tennis Championships appear remote. There was intermittent rain in the morning and persistent rain in the afternoon. The centre-court is covered.

At Troon, the British Open Golf Championship aspirants were occupied today in a long driving test. The best 3 out of 5 drives was won by Milner (Royal Porthcawl) who drove 289 yds., 286 yds. 9 in. and 267 yds. 1 ft. A. G. Havers aggregated 818 yds. 1 ft. 9 in. The best individual drive was Cyril Melloy's of 290 yds. 10 in. which is a record competition. Duncan did 270 yds. 3 in and Abe Mitchell 267 yds. No Americans competed.

At Hurlingham, the second international polo match between the British and American Army teams resulted in a win for the Americans by 6 goals to 4.

PIRATES ACTIVE:-- (From Our Own Correspondent) Pakkai, June 23 - Pirates are again active in this part of the river. The launch towing the Sunchoong-Kongmoon towboat was blown up by mines near Sam Kong Hau at the mouth of the river. All the passengers and crew were taken away for ransom. Another gang of pirates in six boats, assisted by several launches, attacked the garrison at Ngohoi after dark. After a fight of half an hour, the native watchmen drove off the marauders. The boom of guns was heard in the port of Pakkai. Thousands of troops under General Leung Hung-kai, on their way back from Canton, stayed at Pakkai overnight. The port is well guarded by Li Yat-ngok's men.

Three more Chinese were dealt with at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for attempting to evade the Emergency Regulations in taking more than \$5 each on to the Railway. They had about \$11, \$13 and \$15 respectively. Each was handed back \$5 and the balance was confiscated.

There has been an almost complete absence of crime to report. Outside of Emergency Regulations the Police had little to do during the last 24 hours but their time has been fully occupied.

In an extra issued by some of the local vernacular papers this morning, no reference is made to the party that began the firing in the Shamoon incident on Tuesday. The boom of several rounds from big guns is alleged to have been heard.

RADIO TELEGRAMS:-- The transmission of Radio Telegrams to Canton and Swatow is subject to delay.

The Radio Office will be closed from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. until further notice. Messages in code must have name of user included in text.

SPORT CABLES

WIMBLEDON TOURNAMENT.

(Reuter's Service)

London, June 23.

At Wimbledon, for the British Open Lawn Tennis Championships, under grey skies and with a cold wind, overcasts were again the order of the day. The attendance was smaller than yesterday.

In the second round was an all-Indian match in which Jagat Mohan Lal beat Jag Mohan 6-2, 6-1, 6-2.

The American, Hennessey, beat the Englishman, Dicks, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4.

In the second round, G. R. Stole Recs eliminated the Davis Cup player, C. H. Kingsley, 5-6, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.

A start was made with the women's matches but Mrs. Edgerton scratching deprived the crowd of a sight of Miss Suzanne Longlen who meets Miss Ryan in the second round.

Miss Ryan, in the first round, beat Miss Brown 6-3, 6-4.

A Frenchwoman, Madame Billot, disposed of one of the best Englishwomen in Mrs. Lycett by 4-6, 6-4, 11-9.

The weather then improved, the sun came out and the crowd increased.

The Australian, J. O. Anderson, in the second round, beat the Englishman, Burr, 6-0, 6-2, 6-1.

In the second round, R. Lycett beat the Irish Davis Cup player, C. Scroope, by 6-3, 6-2, 6-1.

In the first round, Miss K. McKane beat Miss Sterry 6-3, 6-1.

In the second round, the American, Casey, beat the Englishman, Hollins, 6-1, 6-2, 6-4.

In the second round, another English hope went down, the South African, J. D. B. Spence, defeating J. D. F. Wheatley, 6-2, 6-2, 8-6.

In the second round, Jean Borotra (holder) defeated the English Davis Cup player, O. G. N. Turnbull, 10-8, 5-7, 7-5, 10-8. Turnbull made a great fight along the centre-line. His screw services puzzled the champion, while in the first set he played excellent passing shots and won games alternately, the second set went to 5 all, he led 4-1 in the third set and 4-0 in the fourth. Each time Borotra overcame his erratic tendencies and he finished brilliantly. He often foot-faulted, while he slipped and fell full length frequently.

In the second round, the American, Garland, beat the Britisher, Bames, 2-6, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4.

COUNTY CRICKET.

At the Oval, Surrey beat Somerset by an innings and 111 runs. Scores:-

Somerset 206 (J. C. White 61). Surrey 477 (Hobbs, J.B. 111, Ducat, A. 128, Shepherd, T. 133; W.T. Gresswell, the old Reptonian, on leave from Ceylon, took 5 wickets for 153 runs).

London, June 23: Setsu Michimura, the Japanese champion swimmer, is training at Dover for the Channel swim early in August. Reuter.

Somerset 160 (Hitch, W. 7 wickets for 43 runs).

(This is the ninth century by Hobbs this season. His total is now 123 and he needs 4 more to exceed the record standing to the name of Dr. W. G. Grace.)

At Nottingham, Middlesex beat Notts by four wickets. Scores: Notts 167 (Payton, W. 78; Durston, T.J. 4 wickets for 46 runs). Middlesex 127 (Barratt, F. took 5 wickets for 44 runs and Staples, S.J. 4 for 33).

Notts 461 for 6 wickets declared (Whysall, W.W. 82; A. W. Carr 123; Payton 126 not out).

Middlesex 502 for 6 wickets (Hon. G. N. Briggs 103; Hendren, E. 206 not out; P. T. Mann 101 not out).

This result was the last to be reached through and the match must have finished very late. In his last four matches, Hendren has made three scores of over 200 and one of over 100.

At Hull, Yorkshire beat Leicester-shire by an innings and 160 runs. Scores: Yorkshire 451 for 3 wickets declared (Satchell, H. 129; Holmes, P. 194).

Leicester 85 (Macaulay, G.G. 6 wickets for 34 runs).

Leicester (followed on) 206 (Major G.W.S. Fowler 58; Waddington, S. 4 wickets for 67 runs; Kilner, R. 3 for 54).

At Reading, Northamptonshire beat Glamorgan by 297 runs. Scores: Northants 135 (Mercer, J. 6 wickets for 47 runs).

Glamorgan 107 (Thomas, A.E. 6 wickets for 24 runs).

Northants 457 (Wright 83; Bellamy, B. 64; Mordin, V. 90 not out).

Glamorgan 188 (Thomas 4 wickets for 43 runs).

At Manchester, Lancashire beat Hampshire by nine wickets. Scores: Lancs. 400 (Watson, F. 91; Major L. Green 61; Capt. T.O. Jameson 7 wickets for 92 runs).

Hants 166 (Mead, C.P. 55; Hon. L. H. Tennyson 53 not out).

Hants (followed-on) 239 (Tennyson 75).

Lancs. 9 for 1 wicket.

At Chesterfield, Derbyshire beat Worcestershire by six wickets. Scores: Worcester 133 (Morton, A. 4 wickets for 38 runs).

Derby 264 (Hutchinson, J.M. 79; Cadman, S. 60; Root, F. 5 wickets for 92 runs).

Worcester 208 (Cadman 4 wickets for 37 runs).

Derby 91 for 4 wickets.

At Brighton, Cambridge University beat Sussex by nine wickets. Scores: Cambridge 543 (E.W. Dawson 140; C. T. Bennett 88; H.J. Enthoven 75).

Sussex 208 (Parks, J.H. 65; Enthoven 4 wickets for 65 runs; R. J. O. Meyer 4 wickets for 48).

Sussex (followed-on) 358 (Col. A. C. Watson 75; Newbury 60 not out).

Cambridge 24 for 1 wicket.

The match in Essex between the county and Oxford University was left drawn. Scores: Essex 389 (Freeman, J. 159; P. Perrin 85).

Oxford 344 (I.A.W. Gilliat 70; E. P. Hewetson 66). Essex 129 for 5 wickets.

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LATEST FROM SHAMEEN:-- According to the Hengkong Naval authorities meetings have taken place between the representatives of the Concessions and the Canton Government and as a result of these, the Canton Government has given a guarantee that no further attacks will be made against Shameen pending the outcome of negotiations that are now proceeding. Canton is quiet.

SWATOW STRIKE:-- Advices from Swatow state that the strike is now in full swing there. Unrest is reported from Amoy and Hainan.

LOCAL DOCKS:-- Workmen employed by local docks left today. Some of them stated that they would be away for the Dragon Festival only and would be back tomorrow.

MONEY CHANGERS' SQUEEZE:-- The Government should note that money changers in Hongkong are taking advantage of the situation to exact exorbitant rates, some demanding, instead of the usual two cents, as much as 16 or even 25 cents for \$5 in small change.

FOOD PRICES:-- Rice retailers are also exploiting the public necessity. They advance their prices whilst their customer is in the shop, as much as they think he will stand.

CHINESE TRADE:-- It has been stated that some of the Chinese wholesale traders are interviewing the exchange banks with regard to the question of taking up drafts during the crisis as they are unable to withdraw cash deposited with native bankers.

AMBULANCE BRIGADE (MEN).

All Members and former Members of the Ambulance Brigade, and all who are willing to join as temporary Members of the Brigade for Ambulance Service, are requested to communicate as early as possible with Mr. E. Ralphs, at the Education Offices (P. & O. Building) or to meet him there at 5 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, the 26th inst. Members should attend in uniform or with badges, if possible.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED, OF DENMARK, HONGKONG STATION.

The public is hereby notified that our messengers having refused work, delay can be expected in the delivery of telegrams.

To accelerate delivery the public are kindly requested to apply at our office for any telegrams they may be expecting.

E. V. Jessen,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 25th June, 1925.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD. regret that owing to **CAFE WISEMAN'S** office staff having gone out on strike, they are obliged to ask for cash in this department. All other departments as usual. Prices as usual.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Notice is given that the Hongkong Stock Exchange is closed until further notice and that the June Settlement is postponed till Tuesday, July 7th, 1925.

A. Nissim,
Secretary.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

Notice is given that the Hongkong Sharebrokers' Association is closed until further notice and that the June Settlement is postponed till Tuesday, July 7th, 1925.

J. W. Kew,
Secretary.

NOTICE FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE PUBLIC.

An Emergency having been declared today by His Excellency the Governor, all persons wishing to offer their services in the public interest are requested to report themselves to the office of the Labour Controller, City Hall.

Persons who have already registered at Police Headquarters for essential services need not so report: their names are already on record.

Companies or persons requiring essential labour should make written application to the Controller of Labour.

(Sgd.) G. M. Young,
Controller of Labour.
City Hall, June 22, 1925.

NOTICE.

All Chinese British subjects are requested to report themselves at the City Hall, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. on any day before Saturday, the 27th instant.

S. W. T'so,
Assistant Controller of Labour.
Hongkong, 25th June, 1925.

P. & O. S. N. CO.

The p.s. Mirzapore sails for Singapore and usual India ports at noon on Thursday, July 2, 1925. Through bills of lading to usual Continental ports and London will be issued.

Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 25th June, 1925.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The weather forecast for tomorrow is as follows:-- Easterly winds, moderate, fair to showery.

London, June 24:-- Suzanne Lenglen, wearing an orange bandeau, played brilliant tennis at Wimbledon. Partnered by Miss Ryan, she outclassed Mrs. Lycett and Miss Colyer.- Reuter.

There was a clean bill of health for Hongkong yesterday.

According to a Reuter cable the United States Treasury is planning taxation relief to the extent of \$300,000,000.